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Congress APPROVES Budget Resolution

Measure Provides For Increased Investment In Education,
Healthcare, and Veterans' Services

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Both the U.S. House and Senate approved the 2008 Budget Resolution today, laying the groundwork for efforts to restore fiscal responsibility, to help working families, and to invest more resources in national priorities such as education, healthcare and veterans' services.

Seventh District Congressman Dave Obey (D-WI), the

Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, released the following statement on the budget:

“The federal budget is not just an accounting document. It’s a statement of our country’s values and a blueprint for strengthening both our economy and our society in the long-term.

“This budget clears the way for us to strengthen our military readiness and invest in our troops and veterans; it emphasizes the importance of innovation and education to boost our economy; it focuses attention on medical research and access to affordable healthcare for our children; and it calls for investments in renewable energy and energy efficiency to

reduce global warming and our dangerous dependence on foreign oil.

“The President has announced that he doesn’t like the changes we’ve made to the budget he proposed, but it’s those differences that make him a president, not a king, and I hope he will work with us as we move forward.”

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